

### Remarks

Claims 1 and 42 having been amended, the pending claims are claims 1, 3-4, 6-11, and 42-43.

This Amendment and Response and the above-referenced substitute SEQUENCE LISTING are filed to conform the above-referenced application to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821 - 1.825. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), a copy of the above-submitted substitute SEQUENCE LISTING in ASCII computer readable form is also submitted herewith. The contents of the paper version of the substitute SEQUENCE LISTING and the computer readable form being submitted herewith are the same, and the paper copy of the substitute SEQUENCE LISTING and the computer readable form of the substitute SEQUENCE LISTING do not include new matter.

### Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney ((612) 373-6959) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

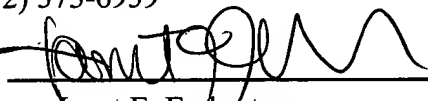
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